

**REMARKS****I. Status of the Claims**

Claims 3-5 and 9-11 have been withdrawn from consideration.

**II. Restriction Requirement**

The Examiner has required restriction among the following species:

Species I: Figs. 5-8;

Species II: Fig. 9;

Species III: Fig. 12A;

Species IV: Fig. 12B;

Species V: Fig. 12C;

Species VI: Fig. 12 D; or

Species VII: Fig. 13.

The Examiner also contends that no claims are generic.

In response, Applicants provisionally elect Species VII: Figure 13. Claims 1, 2, 6-8, and 12-14 are readable on the elected Species. Applicants also traverse the Examiner's finding that no claims are generic. Claims 1, 2, 8 and 14 are generic.

Insomuch as if the Examiner indicates that any of the above claims are generic, and it is believed that these claims are allowable; the election of a species requirement is traversed and should be withdrawn. An early examination is respectfully requested.

## CONCLUSION

In view of the above remarks, withdrawal of this restriction requirement is respectfully requested.

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